

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (cancelled)
2. (currently amended) The attachment of claim 1, An attachment for the outlet end of a recreational vehicle sewage discharge hose and having a normal use position adjacent a vertical downward opening sewage inlet to a sewage receptacle, said attachment comprising:
a one-piece body having, when in the normal use position, two vertical, spaced apart, substantially parallel sidewalls and at least one additional wall rigidly connecting said sidewalls to form a partially enclosed space;
said body being dimensioned so that said partially enclosed space receives, a substantially horizontal portion of the hose, an immediately downstream bent portion of the hose and an immediately downstream substantially vertical portion of the hose;
said body having a rigid abutment positioned to engage the hose and resist removal of the hose from the partially enclosed space; and
 wherein there is only one said additional wall and said additional wall is vertical when said body is in the normal use position.
3. (currently amended) The attachment of claim ~~1~~, 2 wherein said abutment includes detents extending horizontally into said partially enclosed space.
4. (currently amended) The attachment of claim 3, An attachment for the outlet end of a recreational vehicle sewage discharge hose and having a normal use position adjacent a vertical downward opening sewage inlet to a sewage receptacle, said attachment comprising:
a one-piece body having, when in the normal use position, two vertical, spaced apart, substantially parallel sidewalls and at least one additional wall rigidly connecting said sidewalls to form a partially enclosed space;
said body being dimensioned so that said partially enclosed space receives, a substantially horizontal portion of the hose, an immediately downstream bent portion of the hose and an immediately downstream substantially vertical portion of the hose;
said body having a rigid abutment positioned to engage the hose and resist removal of the hose from the partially enclosed space;
wherein said abutment includes detents extending horizontally into said partially enclosed space; and
 wherein said detents are located above the bottom of said sidewalls a distance substantially greater or substantially less than one-half the spacing between said sidewalls.
5. (original) The attachment of claim 4, wherein said detents, in end view, are generally wedge shaped for first compressing adjacent walls of the sewage hose as the hose moves vertically relatively between said sidewalls and then permitting the hose walls to expand beneath said detents to trap and securely hold the hose and attachment together.

6. (original) The attachment of claim 4, wherein said detents have a width, horizontally parallel to said sidewalls, less than spacing between adjacent corrugation peaks of the hose.

7. (original) The attachment of claim 6, wherein said additional wall is vertical and said detents are spaced horizontally from said additional wall a distance at least substantially equal to the diameter of the hose and the radius of curvature of the bent portion.

8. (currently amended) The attachment of claim 1, in combination with the discharge hose, and wherein said discharge hose is flexible and corrugated.

9. (original) The attachment of claim 8, wherein said body weighs at least as much as an upward force produced by elasticity of the hose bent portion.

10. (currently amended) The combination of claim 9, A flexible and corrugated recreational vehicle sewage discharge hose in combination with an attachment for the outlet end of the discharge hose and with said attachment having a normal use position adjacent a vertical downward opening sewage inlet to a sewage receptacle, said attachment comprising:

a one-piece body having, when in the normal use position, two vertical, spaced apart, substantially parallel sidewalls and at least one additional wall rigidly connecting said sidewalls to form a partially enclosed space;

said body being dimensioned so that said partially enclosed space receives, a substantially horizontal portion of the hose, an immediately downstream bent portion of the hose and an immediately downstream substantially vertical portion of the hose;

said body having a rigid abutment positioned to engage the hose and resist removal of the hose from the partially enclosed space; wherein said body weighs at least as much as an upward force produced by elasticity of the hose bent portion;

wherein said additional wall is a vertical end wall; and

said abutment includes detents respectively on said sidewalls adjacent the ends of said sidewalls opposite from said end wall and being located above the bottom of said sidewalls a distance substantially greater or substantially less than one-half the spacing between said sidewalls.

11. (original) The attachment of claim 10, wherein said detents, in end view, are generally wedge shaped for first compressing adjacent walls of the sewage hose as the hose moves vertically relatively between said sidewalls and then permitting the hose walls to expand beneath said detents to trap and securely hold the hose and attachment together.

12. (original) The attachment of claim 10, wherein said detents are spaced horizontally from said additional wall a distance at least substantially equal to the diameter of the hose and the radius of curvature of the bent portion.

13. (cancelled)

14. (cancelled)

15. (cancelled)

16. (cancelled)

17. (cancelled)

18. (cancelled)

19. (cancelled)

20. (cancelled)